



EMR 086: PUBLIC SAFETY FIRST AID

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Justification / Rationale

Textbook Update

Effective Term

Fall 2024

Credit Status

Credit - Degree Applicable

Subject

EMR - Emergency Medical Responder

Course Number

086

Full Course Title

Public Safety First Aid

Short Title

PSFA

Discipline

Disciplines List

Emergency Medical Technologies

Modality

Face-to-Face Hybrid

Catalog Description

This course provides Basic Life Support (BLS) skills in patient assessment, bleeding control, muscular-skeletal injuries, respiratory emergencies, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR and automated external defibrillator (AED). The course complies with the California Health and Safety Code, Title 22, Division 9, Chapters 1.5. and American Heart Association. A Public Safety First Aid (PSFA) Certificate and CPR/AED cards will be issued upon completion. This course meets the prerequisite for the Cal Fire Basic Wildland Academy. PSFA is the recognition of and immediate

care for injury or sudden illness, including medical emergencies, by public safety personnel prior to the availability of medical care by licensed or certified health care professionals. PSFA is used by lifeguards, firefighter, and peace officers. A \$12.50 fee is required for the BLS certificate.

Schedule Description

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Lecture Units

5

Lecture Semester Hours

9

Lab Units

.5

Lab Semester Hours

27



In-class Hours

36

Out-of-class Hours

18

Total Course Units

1

Total Semester Hours

54

Required Text and Other Instructional Materials

Resource Type

Book

Open Educational Resource

No

Formatting Style

APA

Author

American College of Emergency Physicians

Title

First Aid, CPR and AED Advanced

Edition

8th

City

Burlington

Publisher

Jones Bartlett

Year

2022

College Level

Yes

ISBN#

9781284234367

Class Size Maximum

30

Course Content

The content of the training course shall include recognition and basic first aid level treatment of at least the following topics and shall be competency-based:

Role of the public safety first aid provider

Personal safety

Scene size-up

Body substance isolation, including removing contaminated gloves

Legal considerations

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) access

Integration with EMS personnel to include active shooter incidents



Minimum equipment and first aid kits

Heart attack and sudden cardiac arrest

Respiratory and circulatory systems

Sudden cardiac arrest and early defibrillation

Chain of survival

Recognition and identification of adult and pediatric patients for both medical and traumatic emergencies

Performing a primary assessment

Performing a secondary assessment

Obtaining a patient history

Medical emergencies

Pain, severe pressure, or discomfort in the chest

Breathing difficulties, including asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

Allergic reactions and anaphylaxis

Altered mental status

Stroke

Diabetic emergencies

Administration of oral glucose

Seizures

Alcohol and drug emergencies

Assisted Naloxone administration and accessing emergency medical services

Severe abdominal pain

Obstetrical emergencies

Burns

Thermal burns

Chemical burns

Electrical burns

Facial injuries

Objects in the eye

Chemical in the eye

Nosebleed

Dental emergencies

Environmental emergencies

Heat emergencies

Cold emergencies

Drowning

Bites and stings;

Insect bites and stings;

Animal and human bites

Poisoning

Ingested poisoning

Inhaled poisoning

Exposure to chemical, biological, radiological, or nuclear (CBRN) substances;

Recognition of exposure

Scene safety

Poison control system

Identify signs and symptoms of psychological emergencies

Patient movement

Emergency movement of patients

Lifts and carries which may include: using soft litters and manual extractions including fore/aft, side-by-side, shoulder/belt

Tactical and rescue first aid principles applied to violent circumstances

Principles of tactical casualty care



Determining treatment priorities

Orientation to the EMS system, including

9-1-1 access

Interaction with EMS personnel

Identification of local EMS and trauma systems

Trauma emergencies

Soft tissue injuries and wounds

Amputations and impaled objects

Chest and abdominal injuries

Review of basic treatment for chest wall injuries

Application of chest seals

Head, neck, or back injury

Recognition of signs and symptoms of shock

Basic treatment of shock

Importance of maintaining normal body temperature

Internal bleeding

Control of bleeding, including direct pressure, tourniquet, hemostatic dressing, chest seals

Training in the use of hemostatic dressings in the application of hemostatic dressings

Review of basic methods of bleeding control to include but not be limited to direct pressure, pressure bandages, tourniquets, and hemostatic dressings and wound packing

Types of hemostatic dressings

CPR and AED for adults, children, and infants, following current AHA Guidelines for CPR at the Healthcare provider level

Basic airway management

Rescue breathing

Mouth-to-mouth

Spinal immobilization

Musculoskeletal trauma and splinting

Mouth-to-mask

Bag-valve-mask (BVM)

Chest compressions and CPR/AED

Basic AED operation

Troubleshooting and other considerations

Single rescuer CPR/AED on adult, child, and infant

Two rescuer CPR/AED on adult, child, and infant

Recovery position

Management of foreign body airway obstruction on adults, children, and infants

Conscious patients

Unconscious patients

Lab Content

A public safety first aid provider, after completion of training and demonstration of competency to the satisfaction of the approved training provider for each skill listed in this section, is authorized to perform medical care while at the scene of an emergency including, but not limited to, CPR and AED and may do any of the following:

- (1) Evaluate the ill and injured
- (2) Provide treatment for shock
- (3) Use the following techniques to support airway and breathing
- (A) Manual airway opening methods, including head-tilt chin-lift and/ or jaw thrust
- (B) Manual methods to remove an airway obstruction in adults, children, and infants
- (C) Use the recovery position
- (4) Perform the following during emergency care
- (A) Spinal immobilization
- (B) Splinting of extremities



- (C) Emergency eye irrigation using water or normal saline
- (D) Assist with the administration of oral glucose
- (E) Assist patients with administration of physician-prescribed epinephrine devices and Naloxone
- (F) Assist in emergency childbirth
- (G) Hemorrhage control using direct pressure, pressure bandages, principles of pressure points, and tourniquets. Hemostatic dressings may be used from the list approved by the EMS Authority
- (H) Chest seals and dressings
- (I) Simple decontamination techniques and use of decontamination equipment
- (J) Care for amputated body parts
- (K) Provide basic wound care

Course Objectives

	Objectives
Objective 1	The student will be able to recognize and immediate care for injury or sudden illness, including medical emergencies.

Student Learning Outcomes

	Upon satisfactory completion of this course, students will be able to:
Outcome 1	Meet or exceed the requirements necessary to successfully to complete the Public Safety First Aid course as specified under the California Health and Safety Code, Title 22, Division 9, Chapters 1.5
Outcome 2	Demonstrate proficiency in skills necessary for assessment and management of various emergency situations as specified under the California Health and Safety Code, Title 22, Division 9, Chapters 1.5 Title 22 California Code.

Methods of Instruction

Method	Please provide a description or examples of how each instructional method will be used in this course.
Activity	In-class- instructor modeled practical skills followed by instructor-guided interpretations.
Discussion	Instructor- lead discussion groups where students analyze and interpret case studies.
Role Playing	Group projects in class where students are assigned roles as the team leaders and team members to demonstrate proficiency.

Methods of Evaluation

Method	Please provide a description or examples of how each evaluation method will be used in this course.	Type of Assignment
Oral and practical examination	Evaluation of knowledge of skills through practical examination.	In Class Only
Tests/Quizzes/Examinations	Evaluation of content, terminology, and knowledge of subject matter. Approximately 5 quizzes will be taken out of class with a final exams and skills practicum taken in class.	In and Out of Class

Assignments

Other In-class Assignments

Participate in practical skills practice and exam.

Participate in class discussions.

Written final exam.

Other Out-of-class Assignments

Complete review questions and critical thinking exercises.

Read approximately 20-24 assigned chapters from the textbook.

Grade Methods

Letter Grade Only



Distance Education Checklist

Include the percentage of online and on-campus instruction you anticipate.

Online %

70

On-campus %

30

What will you be doing in the face-to-face sections of your course that necessitates a hybrid delivery vs a fully online delivery? Students will learn skills such as CPR/AED, obstructed airway, treatment for burns, shock and other injuries.

Instructional Materials and Resources

Effective Student/Faculty Contact

Which of the following methods of regular, timely, and effective student/faculty contact will be used in this course?

Within Course Management System:

Online quizzes and examinations Regular virtual office hours Timely feedback and return of student work as specified in the syllabus

External to Course Management System:

Direct e-mail
Posted audio/video (including YouTube, 3cmediasolutions, etc.)
Telephone contact/voicemail

For hybrid courses:

Scheduled Face-to-Face group or individual meetings

Briefly discuss how the selected strategies above will be used to maintain Regular Effective Contact in the course.

Timely return of assignments with instructor comments; discussion questions with substantive instructor participation; timed quizzes with feedback.

Other Information

MIS Course Data

CIP Code

51.0904 - Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic).

TOP Code

125000 - Emergency Medical Services

SAM Code

C - Clearly Occupational

Basic Skills Status

Not Basic Skills

Prior College Level

Not applicable

Cooperative Work Experience

Not a Coop Course

Course Classification Status

Credit Course

Approved Special Class

Not special class



Noncredit Category

Not Applicable, Credit Course

Funding Agency Category

Not Applicable

Program Status

Stand-alone

Transfer Status

Not transferable

Allow Audit

Yes

Repeatability

No

Materials Fee

Yes

Total Material Fees

\$12.50

Itemized Material Fee List

Cost Per Item	Total Cost	Fee Description
\$12.50	\$12.50	American Heart Association (AHA) Basic Life Support (BLS) Certification

Per Education Code section 76365 and Title 5 regulations, please describe how the required material(s) meets the following.

Required Material Description

Basic Life Support (BLS) certificate is required course training by California Health and Safety Code, Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 1.5.

Tangible personal property?

Yes, students will be required to have and maintain current BLS certification for employment.

Owned or controlled by the student?

Yes

Solely available from the district?

No.

Continuing value outside the classroom setting?

Yes, students will be required to have and maintain current BLS certification for employment.

Additional Fees?

No

Files Uploaded

Attach relevant documents (example: Advisory Committee or Department Minutes)

EMS Advisory Minutes April 2019 (1) (1).docx

Approvals

Curriculum Committee Approval Date

03/07/2023







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